

**COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR  
THE TREATMENT OF COLORECTAL CANCER**

**ABSTRACT**

- 5           This invention relates to compositions comprising thalidomide and irinotecan, which  
can be used in the treatment or prevention of colorectal cancer. The invention also relates to  
methods of treating or preventing colorectal cancer which comprise the administration of  
thalidomide and irinotecan to a patient in need of such treatment or prevention. The  
invention further relates to methods of reducing or avoiding adverse side effects associated  
10 with the administration of irinotecan which comprise the administration of thalidomide to a  
patient in need of such reduction or avoidance.